



*“Pray for me as I will for thee
that we may merrily meet in heaven.”*



St. Thomas More Catholic Church
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Adoration Chapel 317-834-4251
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Website www.stm-church.org

Office Hours

Monday-Friday 9:00am-4:00pm

Mass Schedule

Saturday Anticipation 5:00pm
Sunday: 8:00am, 10:45am, 7:00pm
Tuesday thru Friday 8:30am
Holy Days: 8:30 am, 6:30 pm

Reconciliation

Tuesday-Friday: 8:15-8:30am
Saturday: 4:30-5:00pm Sunday: 7:30-8:00am,
Sunday: 10:15-10:45am, 6:30-7:00pm

Adoration Chapel

Call 834-4251 to see if chapel is open

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Parish Mission Statement

We, the parishioners of St. Thomas More Catholic Church, Mooresville, IN, as members of the Body of Christ, and inspired by our patron saint commit ourselves...

- To grow in understanding and living God’s word and sacraments as defenders of the Catholic faith
- To be responsible stewards of God’s gifts/blessings and grow in generosity of those gifts
- To serve those in need and reflect God’s mercy in all our efforts

Sunday, March 11, 2018
4th Sunday of Lent
Second Scrutiny



4th Sunday of Lent

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Lord looks at the heart while human beings tend to look at the appearance. The Lord's ways are mysterious but wonderful. David was selected and anointed as King of Israel. God goes beyond appearance and sees the heart of people before He makes a decision, whereas we humans tend to make judgments or decisions based on appearance. We are challenged by the Lord to change our perceptions and look at realities as He would so that we go beyond what it appears to be. We are children of the light and light produces every kind of goodness and righteousness and truth. As children of light, we are expected to look at persons and realities beyond what they appear to be. God sheds the light of his Spirit upon everyone who seeks his light. The Holy Spirit who has been poured into our hearts accompanies us in our spiritual journey. The forty days that Jesus spent in the desert was to fortify himself and light the powers of darkness. And he defeated it. Jesus gives sight to the blind and his darkness is removed. If we submit ourselves to the Lord and surrender our darkness like the man born blind we shall experience the light of the Lord and we shall never experience darkness in our life.

Please say a prayer for the Women's Conference and for all of our women attending the conference this weekend. May the Holy Spirit remove every darkness and shed His light upon them for a renewed life in Christ. Our search committee will be meeting on Thursday to scrutinize the applications for DRE and plan the interviews. Please keep them all in prayer that the Holy Spirit will help make the right decisions in our discernment process. May God Bless you all.

Sincerely in Christ Jesus,

Fr. Francis Joseph Kalapurackal

Administrator

New Ministry! Praying for Vocations

Fewer men and women are answering God's call to be priests, deacons, and religious (monks and nuns). Since 1965, the total number of priests in the U.S. has dropped by 36%. This trend can only be reversed through God's grace. We must renew our efforts to pray for His grace to be poured out on a new generation of young men and women who will have the courage to answer His call.

We are starting a new ministry to encourage prayer for vocations. Each weekend, we'd like a parishioner to take home a Travelling Vocations Cross prayer kit and commit to daily prayer for a week. At the end of the week, simply bring the kit back to Mass for the next person to take home. The kit contains a small wood cross to set on your table as a reminder, prayer guides, and informational booklets and books about vocations.

A sign-up sheet is in the Social Hall, or contact John Griffin at 317-831-4210.

You can visit www.heargodscall.com for additional information and resources about vocations and discerning a call.

This weekend's Traveler is Judy Wilson. Next weekend's Travelers are Stacie Stephens & family



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, March 12

9:00 am-No Mass

Tuesday, March 13

8:30 am- Martha Joseph (Kalapurackal)

Wednesday, March 14

8:30 am-Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, March 15

8:30 am-Bob Vickers

Friday, March 16

8:30 am-Richard Tomaszewski

Saturday, March 17

5:00 pm-Lauretta Kurek

Sunday, March 18

8:00 am-Heim, Mayer & Rihm Families

10:45 am-Faith Formation students & teachers

7:00 pm- Parishioners of St. Thomas More

Ministries for March 17 & 18, 2018

Ushers

5:00 pm-Jim Griffin, Connie Giovanoni

8:00 am-John & Kathy Phillips

10:45 am-Volunteers

7:00 pm-Volunteers

Lectors

5:00 pm-Mary Fulkerson

8:00 am-Rosanne Roth

10:45 am-Jim Muskat

7:00 pm-Ruth Viles

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

5:00 pm-Lauri Griffin, Norma Bangel

8:00 am-Larry & Ruth Rudolf

10:45 am-Brian, Tracy & Kate Disney, Patti C.

7:00 pm-Andrea Woodson, Donna Love

Altar Servers

5:00 pm-Volunteers

8:00 am-Mary Reed, Gehrig Rihm, Riley Lesh

10:45 am-Valerie, Anthony & Timothy Voi

7:00 pm-Volunteers

FRIDAYS OF LENT 7:00 PM

Stations of the Cross

Please keep our seriously ill parishioners in prayer
Martha Kalapurackal
Archbishop Charles Balvo
Ken & Martha Fetsch

SACRAMENT AND COMMITTEE INFORMATION

Sacrament of Marriage

Engaged couples should contact the office at least six months in advance to allow for Marriage Preparation Program and meeting with Priest.

Sacrament of Baptism

Infant baptisms are celebrated the 3rd Sunday. Parents must attend the Baptismal Preparation Class. Call office during pregnancy. 831-4142.

Sacrament of Holy Orders

Those considering the Priesthood or a Religious Vocation, Contact Fr. Francis or the Archdiocesan Vocation Office-236-1490

Religious Education

Pre K-during 10:45 am mass,
Grades K-8-Sunday, 9:00 am-10:30 am
High School, Confirmation-Sunday 5:15-7:00 pm
Call 831-4142

Pastoral Care

Annulments, Marriage Preparation, Faith Formation, Questions and Concerns, Emergencies: Contact Fr. Francis

New Parishioners

Welcome to our parish family! Please contact the office for registration forms and information. 831-4142

Reconciliation

Tues.-Fri. 8:15-8:30 am, Saturday 4:30-5:00 pm
Sun. 7:30-8:00 am, 10:15-10:45 am, 6:30-7:00 pm or by appointment

Sacrament of the Sick

In an emergency, contact the Parish Office any time. The hospitalized, those confined to home, and nursing home residents should contact the Parish Office to receive the Eucharist and/ or Anointing. 831-4142.

Interested in the Faith

Inquiry sessions as part of the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)
Call 831-4142

ORGANIZATIONS AND COMMITTEES

Administrative/Finance: Tom Ryan

Adoration Chapel: Closing information 317-834-4251

Peggy Weber 317-695-9807, Kristina Birchler, 797-7060,

Applefest: 831-4142

Bible Study: 831-4142

Faith Formation Commission: Mary Leonard-Bohney, 317-443-4791

HOPE (Beggars for the Poor): Cheryl Hildenbrand, 996-4635

Knights of Columbus: Larry Janeczek, 919-4156

Liturgy: Mary Bednarek, 697-5117

Parish Nurse: Cathy Gray, 831-9991

Parish Council: Deb Dotson, 317-517-7327

Project Rachel: 236-1569, 800-382-9836 Abortion Healing

Respect for Life Committee: 831-4142

RCIA: 831-4142

St. Thomas More Free Clinic: 831-1697

St. Vincent de Paul: Joan Maxfield, 946-7218

St. Vincent de Paul Pantry: 831-4142

Stewardship: 831-4142

Technology Committee: 831-4142


Vocation Promotion: 831-4142

Welcoming Committee: 831-4142

Women of STM (Women's Club): Kristy Ralston, 765-623-7746

Please support our advertisers. Thanks to them we receive the bulletins free of charge.
This week's advertiser is:
CARLISLE/BRANSON

Financial Report thru		
March 4, 2018 Collection by Mass		
	Budget	Actual
Saturday 5:00 PM		2,134.00
Sunday 8:00 AM		1,689.15
Sunday 10:45 AM		1,281.00
Sunday 7:00 PM		553.00
Other (mail in)		196.92
Lenten collections		.00
St. Vincent de Paul		.00
Misc. Archdiocese		403.00
Capital Main. Fund		100.00
FIF Campaign		4,305.00
Criterion		374.00
Total	6,211.50	11,036.07
	YTD Budget	YTD Actual
As of 2/28/2018		
Sunday Collections	217,404.00	198,288.84
Electronic Giving	43,336.00	67,395.96
Total	260,740.00	265,684.80
Savings Balance	as of	as of
	1/31/18	02/28/18
Capital Maintenance Fund	143,974.95	145,226.51
ADLF	204,588.46	207,224.15

	
Updated as of 2/28/2018	
Amount Pledged	Amount Collected
\$ 936,522	
939,092	
Campaign Goal	
\$ 900,000	
800,000	
700,000	
600,000	
500,000	
400,000	
300,000	271,553
200,000	
100,000	
0	\$0

COOKBOOKS

Do you enjoy the delicious meatless soups available at the K of C Fish Fries? Did you know that many of those soup recipes are also available in the St. Thomas More Jubilee Cookbook? Cookbooks will be available for sale (just \$10 each) during the Friday Fish Fries during Lent, and they are also available at the parish office. Questions? Call Mary Bednarek at 317-697-5117 or mbednarek@yahoo.com

DO YOU WANT TO FAST THIS LENT?

In the words of Pope Francis

Fast from hurting words and say kind words.

Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.

Fast from anger and be filled with patience.

Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.

Fast from worries and have trust in God.

Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity.

Fast from pressures and be prayerful.

Fast from bitterness and fill your heart with joy.

Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others.

Fast from grudges and be reconciled.

Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.

K OF C FISH FRY

FRIDAYS OF LENT 5:00 PM-7:00 PM

Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings will be here at St. Thomas More Catholic Church Monday, April 16. Ultrasound screenings to Identify risk factors for Cardiovascular disease include; **Carotid Artery** (plaque buildup-a leading cause of stroke), **Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm** (an enlargement or weak area in the main blood vessel that carries blood from the heart to the rest of the body), **Peripheral Arterial Disease** (hardening of the arteries in the legs), a **Heart Rhythm Screening** (an EKG to detect Atrial Fibrillation-irregular heart-beat) and an **Osteoporosis Risk Assessment** for men and women. Being proactive about your health by knowing your risks helps you and your doctor address problems early. **Register online TODAY at www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle and receive your "Community Circle" discount and your Preferred Appointment!**

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DAILY

8:30 am Mass-Tues.-Fri.

Reconciliation-Tues.-Fri. 8:15 am

WEEKLY

Wed. 11:30 am, Rosary, Meadow Lakes

Wed. 12:30 pm-Rosary, Meadow Lakes Asst. Living

Wed. 6:30 pm-RCIA,

Sat. 5:00 pm-Mass, Reconciliation, 4:30 pm

Sun. Masses-8:00 am, 10:45 am, 7:00 pm

Reconciliation 7:30 am, 10:15 am, 6:30 pm

MONTHLY

2nd Tues.-6:00 pm, Women of STM, Social Hall

2nd Thurs.-6:00 pm, Faith Formation Commission

3rd Sun.- Baptisms

3rd Tues.-4:00 pm, St. Vincent de Paul

3rd Wed.-6:30 pm, Pastoral Council, Library

3rd Thurs.-6:00 pm, Liturgy Committee

PLEASE NOTE Do you or someone you know need a ride to church or for important errands? Please note our new ministry with a list of volunteer drivers and their contact information below. Others wishing to volunteer to drive, please call the office to have their names added. Here is the list;

Fred Cipriani 317-831-5253

Larry Janeczek 317-919-4156

Jerry Weber 317-697-4914

Rich Weihler 319-383-9723

Thank You!

OPEN ADORATION

CHAPEL HOURS:

Tues. 3-4 pm,

Wed. noon-1, 2-3 pm

Thurs. 2-3 am; 3-4 am; 4-5 am; 3-4 pm (until April); 4-5 pm

Friday: 3-4 am; 11am- Noon

If you can help, please call PEGGY 317-

695-9807 or KRISTINA 317-834-2719

Please call 317-834-4251 to see if chapel

is open before you come in in bad

weather. Call 317-834-4251



Council 7431 Saint Thomas More

Knights of Columbus is an organization of Catholic men dedicated to promoting Families, Concepts of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism all while supporting the church. If you're 18 or older and want to know more about the Knights, contact Larry at 317-919-4156. You may also join online at: <http://www.kofc.org/newjoin/en/faq.html>

Primary activity schedule:

**** Ministry at 1st Sat. 5 pm Mass**

**** Business Mtg. 2nd Mon. 7 pm Library**

**** Breakfast, 3rd Sun. after 8 am Mass**

**** Social Mtg. 4th Mon. 7 pm, Social Hall**

**** Lead Rosary, 5th Sun. prior to 10:45 am mass**

Saint Thomas More Catholic Church Applefest 2018

Friday and Saturday

September 21 – 22, 2018

Once again, it is time to start thinking about our parish Applefest. As always, we need lots of help to run this event, **but right now** we need just your thoughts and ideas on how we can improve on the festival.

We have scheduled a **Strategy Meeting on Tuesday, March 20th at 6:30 in the Social Hall.** Please come and listen, talk and get to know more of your fellow parishioners. We are open to, and hope you bring, any ideas you have. We hope to see you there! **THANKS!**

Norma Bangel, Jerry Weber, & Peggy Weber Co Chairs

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of John Seubert, who passed away last Sunday. Please keep them in prayer.



In Memoriam



Saint Thomas More Council 7431 Plant Sale

The Saint Thomas More Knight of Columbus is selling TOMATO & PEPPER plants and hanging baskets as a fund raiser. Proceeds from our council's fundraising support many charities to include: Pro-life programs, Gibault Children's services, Special Olympics, Handicapable Camp, St. Vincent DePaul food pantry, youth programs, and more.

**Be the first in your neighborhood with tomatoes using these jumbo mature plants!!
Or, enjoy Hanging Baskets in time for Mother's Day!**



Sales Start March 3, 2018

**Sales End March 23rd, 2018 (At Friday Fish Fry)
Order Forms are in the Social Hall**

ORDERS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PICK UP AT THE POLE BARN AFTER
MASSES ON May 5th and 6th, 2018

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION IS MARCH 10 & 11.
PLEASE PLACE YOUR ENVELOPE IN THE REGULAR COLLECTION

Catholic Charities Indianapolis

1400 N. Meridian Street, Indianapolis, IN 46202-2367

Catholic Charities Indianapolis sponsors monthly caregiver support groups for family members/friends who are caregivers of older adults. Meetings are open to current caregivers as a way to share and learn from each other. **Please confirm attendance.** For additional information, contact Monica Woodsworth at 317-261-3378 or mwoodsworth@archindy.org.

Southside:

Date: Monday March 19 2018, 5:30 – 7 pm

Location: St. Mark Catholic School, 541 E Edgewood Avenue 46227

Topic: Dennis Frick, Director of the Senior Law Project for Indiana Legal Services and former chair of the Elder Law Section of the Indiana State Bar Association. Link to information from Indiana Legal Services [here](#).

Upcoming 2018 dates: 4/16, 5/21, 6/18

HERE'S NEWS

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Kathy Phillips, our parish Executive Administrative Assistant is retiring June 30, 2018. We wish her the very best in her retirement!

If you are interested in knowing more about her position or possibly applying for her position, please call the office. 317-831-4142

You Can Understand the Bible!

Imagine how our parishes would change if we had a profound encounter with God in Scripture, and began relating to Him in a personal way. The Bible is at the heart of everything we do and believe as Catholics. A good Bible study can renew parish life, and enrich our faith.

If you want a better understanding of our faith, and a deeper relationship with God, then we invite you to join us for The Bible Timeline, beginning March 8th . By being a part of this study, you will not only benefit personally, but you will also help to bring about a profound renewal in our parish as we all grow closer to Christ.

The Bible Timeline is a fascinating study that takes you on a journey through the entire Bible. You will go deep into each period of salvation history and discover the amazing story woven throughout all of Scripture. Using the unique color-coded Bible Timeline you will learn the major people, places, and events of the Bible and see how together they form the foundation of our Catholic faith.

More importantly, you will have a profound encounter with God in Scripture, and see how the Bible reveals His loving plan for your life.

The study will include a series of twenty-four videos presented by Jeff Cavins. Each video will be preceded by a group discussion. The Bible Timeline Study Kit is not necessary but may be purchased through St. Martin's parish for \$34.95

ST. MARTINS WILL BEGIN THE BIBLE TIMELINE ON THURSDAY MARCH 8TH AT 7:00PM. WE'LL MEET EVERY OTHER THURSDAY AT 7:00PM FROM SEPTEMBER THROUGH APRIL IN THE RELIGIOUS ED. BLDG. ANY QUESTIONS CONTACT DEACON TIM 765 349-7660 OR THARTE@RNETINC.NET HOPE YOU CAN JOIN US! YOU WILL LOVE IT!

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March 11, 2018

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